

HOUSE BILL 2584

By Coley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-5004, relative to the promotion of hearing care for children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-5004(a), is amended by deleting the word "eye" and by substituting instead the language "eye, hearing".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-5004(b), is amended by deleting the word "dental" and by substituting instead the language "dental, hearing".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-5004(c), is amended by deleting the word "eye" wherever the word appears and by substituting instead the language "eye or hearing".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-5004(d), is amended by deleting the words "eye examinations from optometrists or ophthalmologists willing to donate their services for children who are unable to afford the eye examinations" and by substituting instead the language "eye or hearing examinations from optometrists, ophthalmologists, physicians, or audiologists, as appropriate, willing to donate their services for children who are unable to afford the eye or hearing examinations".

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.